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MONDAY MORNING, DEC. 20, 1915.

The trouble with some of us is that we make the inventory of ourselves with a carpenter's pencil and of other folks with a hair-line pen.  
—Clarence Cullen.

## A Record Number.

The thirty-six page edition of The Republican yesterday morning, our readers who are at all familiar with the making of a newspaper, will observe, was some achievement. It was not in any sense a special edition. Everything was gone about in the regular, usual way but on Saturday the demand for advertising space was unexpectedly great and the demand was continued until the last minute, so that it became inevitable that either reading matter or advertising matter would suffer. As a matter of fact, both did suffer. Both were crowded out but the slaughter of reading matter was the more ruthless and frightful. Let us hear no more of suffering in Serbia or atrocities in Poland.

The clamor of the various departments, telegrams, sporting and the reporters, each for all the space that was left, amounted to a small riot. The sports, clubs and music and drama departments had already secured places in the earlier sections when it was not known that a little later there would be less than standing room, so that those departments were at peace, above the swirl of dissatisfaction that raged in this office from seven o'clock on Saturday night until three o'clock yesterday morning.

The situation was somewhat complicated by changes which were being made in the machinery of this composing room and which had been in progress for three days. But notwithstanding all that the paper is one of which The Republican is proud. The business department points with special pride to about 3700 inches of advertising which is a new record in a regular edition. We do not mean that The Republican has never before carried so much advertising in a single issue. On special occasions, even not in special editions, it has carried as much. Merchants taking advantage of such occasions have increased their space by taking single and even double pages and many who were not regular advertisers have now and then appeared.

In yesterday's thirty-six page edition there were only three full pages of advertising. The rest of the great volume was composed of just such advertisements as appear in every Sunday issue of The Republican, only there were more of them. Every line of business in the city was represented and practically every business that anybody knows about. The southside merchants, by the way, filled almost three pages of advertising.

We are aware that the approach of Christmas had much to do with the demand for space yesterday, but the edition was not a so-called Christmas trade edition and was not recognized as such by advertisers. The advertisers merely had things to sell and they recognized that the clean columns of The Republican, untainted by offensive patent medicine advertisements and other advertising matter of a dishonest or disreputable character, gave them the opportunity to let all the people of this valley know that they had things to sell or service to give.

We regard also the outpouring in yesterday's advertising pages as an indication of the return of good times. There was a reflection in this great volume of advertising of the confidence that merchants feel in the future.

## The Disinfection of an Alien.

When General Villa who is said to have abandoned his fight against Carranza, comes to the United States with his household goods and his family the general average of our citizenship will not be materially raised; not to such an extent, anyhow, that those miscellaneous organizations which are striving for the uplift of humanity may safely cease their efforts. There will still be work to be done.

We presume that General Villa will not come empty-handed; that he will not appear in that class of proscribed aliens whom our immigration authorities turn back lest they become charges on the nation; lest, to use an old New England expression, they will become burdens "on the town." We believe that General Villa has found revolutionizing a very profitable industry which he has pursued with thrift. He is said to have personally conducted the more important looting within his sphere of activity. He could not, of course, be everywhere where looting was in progress and he had to trust much to his "looting lieutenants." If the returns made by them were not satisfactory they were summarily executed and whatever was found in their possession was confiscated, not to the state, but to Villa. We imagine that General Villa following the long established Latin-American practice of able statesmen than himself has laid up his savings in this or some other country, far removed from the ravages of Mexican moth and rust

and beyond the possible effects of sudden political disaster.

We also learn with satisfaction that General Villa in preparation for his entry into the United States has recently married his wife and the mother of his children so that he may meet a rather rigid requirement of our puritanical immigration officials. Thus disinfecting, prophylactic precautions having been taken to remove all microbes of poverty and immorality, no reasonable objection can be offered to the admission of General Villa or his reception by society.

He leaves behind him other "generals" still intent on revolution. Though the main ledge and the richer leads appear to have been pretty well worked out they believe that there is still pay dirt, so that the revolution will probably be continued until Carranza and Obregon have rounded up the generals and their following and have stood them up against adobe and other walls until they can be dropped in crumpling heaps. The sooner this is done the earlier Mexico will come back. There is still some cleaning up of patriots to be done in that stricken country.

## Prosperity and the War.

The British government, making further replication to our complaint on the report of Consul General Skinner at London that the British are using their orders-in-council to promote trade with neutral countries at the expense of the commerce of the United States, seeks to prove to us that the war has been a blessing to us and that we are under great obligation to Great Britain. But, pursuing this theory further and accepting the British contention that Germany started the war, Germany should become the recipient of our thanks for the blessing we enjoy.

The British reply comes upon the following exultant statement issued by our treasury department: "What extraordinary results have been achieved in the brief period since December, 1914? During the year there has been a steady, healthy, forward movement in every line of activity until new prosperity has been established throughout the country." From all points of view, therefore, continues the British statement, "it appears that the European war has proved rather beneficial than otherwise to American trade and industry."

Not from all points of view; there is one which our British friends have neglected to take into account: the point of view of Secretary McAdoo when he issued that rosy statement. His was the point of view of the politician furnishing food for home consumption, and not intended to be used as ammunition by the British.

If the secretary's statement were true, and it is not, that, still, could not meet the complaint of Consul General Skinner that Great Britain is shipping to neutral countries of Europe articles which the United States is forbidden to the orders-in-council to ship to the same countries. If it were true, that in consequence of the war, our prosperity was greater than ever, no nation would still have the right to interfere with our trade with a neutral.

But it is not true. There was not at the time the statement was issued, prosperity throughout the land. It is true, of course, that there has been prosperity in many restricted quarters. Those who have been engaged in furnishing war supplies to the belligerents at enormous profits have been doing very well, but the country in general has not been benefited as a result of this activity.

There has been a greater demand for food stuffs for the belligerent countries but the producers of these articles are not better paid than formerly. The profits are lodged in the hands of the contractors and agents of the governments for which the supplies are destined.

Prosperity is returning but we cannot attribute any country-wide prosperity to the war or to the administration of which the secretary is a part, but to the return to the people of a confidence which the war had rather shattered and which had been previously shaken by earlier national legislation.

## The Sheerest Folly

The whole world-war is a foolish one but no part of it is so wildly insane as that which has been and is being yet carried on in the South African colonies. The fighting there however it may turn out, can have no possible bearing on the final result of the war. If the allies win, the German colonies in South Africa will be lost to Germany forever. If Germany wins the war and dictates the terms of peace the colonies will go to Germany no matter who may be in possession of them as a result of the futile fighting that has been going on there.

In the meantime much blood has been spilled in South Africa to determine something that must be settled on the battle fields of Europe and Asia and perhaps, in north Africa.

If the German colonies in Africa were in a position to aid the mother country with men or supplies, there might be some reason for the conquest of them but, since the beginning of the war they have been unable to furnish aid. In any event, all the men who have died in battle in South Africa have died in vain.

A dispatch this morning from Glasgow, Scotland says that "four men here today had to fight a cruel fight of blazing whiskey when a fire broke out in the buildings of the Distillery Company Ltd." Any time since January 1 of this year we could have found a hundred volunteers here in Phoenix for that kind of a job and they would not have regarded it as any trick at all. It is to them much more terrible to read about such a waste of whiskey and Scotch whiskey too, than it would be to face the fiery flood.

We had forgotten, is it the maximum or the minimum temperature of Tucson that the Citizen wants published? Anything to please our neighbors. We would suggest though that if Tucson is to maintain its reputation as a winter resort, the maximum should be printed in the more conspicuous figures just now.

## Uncensored Sense and Nonsense

(By Remick)

See that noisy baggage standin', on the corner, over there? With the patches on his trousers and the unkempt curly hair? He defends his boss' grime, he stands up for his rights; He laughs at licks or cuffs, and he never dodges fights. See him diving through the crowd? See him rush back to his place? He either got a nickel, or he punched the dirty face, or some interloping salesman, who had gotten off his beat, And who fell from the encounter, in disorderly retreat.

He's a hustler and he's noisy, he's a cheerful fightin' cuss; He's a boomer and a promoter, and he has the toughest stunt; He's the future life of us, he's a square guy, and we're for him, 'cause he keeps up such a front; He fights for every inch of life, for keepin' his toughest stunt; He's storing up an asset, for his future business needs; As the character he studies, and the human mind, he reads, You can see that he needs war, as he flies into the throng, And gathers in his living, from the ones who pass along.

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## SOUTH SIDE NEWS

MESA OFFICE  
Everybody's Drug Co.  
Phone 6 or 500

TEMPE OFFICE  
Casa Loma Hotel Bldg.  
Phone 53

### Mesa News Notes

## MESA MAN HONORED BY PAN-AMERICANS

Paul Edwin Fuller to Address Scientific Body on "Uniformity of Moisture in Soils"

P. E. Fuller, irrigation engineer of the Department of Agriculture, in charge of irrigation and pumping investigations in the southwest, with headquarters at Mesa, Arizona, left last night via the Santa Fe enroute to Washington, D. C., where he will address the members of the Second Pan-American Scientific Congress on the subject of "Uniformity of Moisture in Soils." The congress will convene December 27th, with daily sessions until January 8th.

Only a few men from such department of the government have been chosen to address this body, which is made up of scientists of note from all over the world, and it is a distinct compliment to the Salt River Valley that a man from its midst should be selected.

Mr. Fuller is an authority on the under ground flow of waters and is the author of an important bulletin on "Pumping for Irrigation," which the department is soon to publish. It deals with every phase of the pumping question and should prove of inestimable value to the irrigation farmer, disclosing as it does every phase from the drilling of the first test holes to the installation of the prime-mover.

FOUND—Automobile side curtain, Republican, Tempe.

RECLEANED CHICKEN WHEAT, \$1.75 per cwt. Mesa Milling Company—Adv.

### MESA OPERA HOUSE

Mr. Fuller will stop at his old home in Detroit, Michigan, and spend Christmas with his father and sister, coming from there to Washington where he expects to remain ten or twelve days in conference with the chief and other officials of his department after the congress adjourns. On his return he will stop in South Bend, Indiana, to conduct an important test upon a new pump which is being gotten out, then returning direct to Mesa.

The Ed. Redmond Company will present "St. Elmo" at the Mesa Opera house tonight, with complete scenic and mechanical effects. In the title role, Hugh McAlister's portrayal of St. Elmo is considered by many to be this popular actor's most finished work, his being a remarkably clever conception of the unfed and blundering hero whose reformation is worked by the little country girl, Edna Earl. Supporting Mr. McAlister will be seen all of the Redmond players, including Audell Higgins as Edna Earl; Roscoe Kurns as Willis Wood; Ed. Redmond as Aaron Hunt; and Marvin Hammond as the blind child.

Seats may be obtained at Everybody's Drug Store. Curtain at \$15 a row.

THE RED TRACTION tread tire, is guaranteed by Monrad, the Mesa tire man—Adv.

WHEAT is the best chicken feed. Redcleaned, \$1.75 per cwt. Mesa Milling Co.—Adv.

NEW RESIDENTS  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ramsey have arrived in Mesa from Douglas, Arizona. They are impressed with the Salt River Valley to such an extent that they intend to make this their permanent home.

RECLEANED CHICKEN WHEAT, \$1.75 per hundred. Mesa Milling Company—Adv.

COMMERCIAL CLUB  
Tomorrow night, at the rooms of the club, at 8 o'clock, there will be an important meeting of the members of the Mesa Commercial Club, at which every member is expected to be present to welcome the incoming officers elected at last Thursday night's meeting.

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### OFFICE OF THE VALLEY BANK ADJUSTMENT COMPANY

Phoenix Arizona, December 14, 1915.  
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Valley Bank Adjustment Company will be held at the office of the Company (Rooms 2 and 4, Central Building) in Phoenix, Arizona, at 2 o'clock, P. M., on Monday, the third day of January, 1916, for the purpose of electing the five Directors of the Company for the ensuing year; and also for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

J. C. NORTON, President.

A. L. MOORE, Secretary.

Hire a little salesman at The Republic office.

### Tempe News Notes

## LOPER PRESIDENT SCHOOL MASTERS

Valley Professors Meet in Tempe for Reorganization—Guests of Prof. Matthews at Lunch.

The first of this year's meetings of the School Masters' club was held Saturday afternoon at the Tempe Normal school and City Superintendent of Schools John D. Loper of Phoenix was elected president for this year. Professor Judson of Osborne was made vice president and Professor Davis of Glendale is secretary.

Many of the school professors of the valley were in attendance and the party was entertained at luncheon at noon in the dining hall as guests of President A. J. Matthews of the Normal school. Following the business program during which the officers for the new year were elected, two interesting and instructive lectures were listened to. Harry Blair, secretary of the Phoenix Y. M. C. A., spoke of "Preparedness," and Mr. Webb, who is in the valley temporarily representing a Lyceum company, gave an address on the subject, "Vocational Efficiency." The Saturday meeting of the School Masters' club was a profitable one. The members will look forward to the future meetings with interest. The next meeting will be held, once each month, the place of gathering rotating between the various valley towns.

### N DANCE HOST AT DANCE

Mr. and Mrs. George N. Dance were hosts at an informal dancing party given Saturday evening at the Olive hotel. A half dozen couples, very guests and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The Tempe Normal and training schools will close on Wednesday evening of this week for the Christmas holidays and the high and grammar schools will close on Thursday evening. Many of the normal students are making arrangements to pass their vacations at home during the holiday season, the school permitting them to remain away until after New Year's Day.

### SPANISH COUPLE WED

Celia Molina and Arturo Acedo, popular Spanish people of Tempe, were married on Saturday morning at the bride's home.

## GLENDALE NEWS

GLENDALE GIRLS MAKE GOOD  
If there is anything to which this city should point with pride, it is the Glendale City Girl. She makes good in every instance. The latest honor to be brought to this city was that won by Miss Eleanor Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Roberts, when she was awarded first prize in the annual declamation contest held at the Northern Arizona Normal school at Prescott on December 16. Miss Roberts gave with recitation of "Quo Vadis" and this brought her the first honors from out of the entire school. This is not the first time that Miss Roberts had brought honor to her home town, for she was some time ago awarded a similar prize in a contest at the Tempe Normal school, and some time later she secured the second prize at the same school.

"THE MERCHANT OF VENICE"  
The Juniors of the high school have everything in readiness for the production of "The Merchant of Venice" up to date, which will be staged in the auditorium on Monday night, December 27. This is a rip-roaring comedy and if you suffer with indigestion, melancholia, go out and laugh it off. The play is given to raise library funds and deserves your support.

The trustees for this road district, R. W. Wagner, C. H. Gilbert and J. R. Roach, are to be congratulated upon the excellent work they are doing on our rural roads. Of course they have a lot to do yet, for on account of the special road funds being held up no work was done for several months and the roads were in a very deplorable condition but they have made a good start and will undoubtedly keep at it.

Dr. A. M. Adkinson, superintendent of missions of the Methodist church in this state, was here last Friday evening and conducted the first of his conference at the Methodist Episcopal church. He also preached the sermon on Sunday evening. Many important improvements have been made in the building, making it necessary to disperse with services last Sunday, but this week has now been completed.

The News has received 500 copies of the Salt River Valley special edition of the Arrowhead magazine for local distribution. Send a copy of the magazine to your folks back home.

Yes, things are picking up in Glendale. Even carpenters are now driving autos. Watch Fred Walsh speed by as he rambles right along in his

## PHOENIX TITLE AND TRUST COMPANY

### What It Does

Issues Guarantee Title Policies.  
Holds Title in Simple Trust.  
Makes Abstract of Title.  
Closes Deals in Escrow.  
Issues Mortgage's Certificates.  
Acts as Trustee for Syndicates.  
Handles Corporation Bond Issues.  
Acts in any Trust Capacity.

In Fact, It Is, in Every Way

## A MODERN TITLE COMPANY

little Ford from one contract to the other. He says old Bill was some sort of animal, but the contracts were getting too thick for his speed.

Mrs. B. H. Yaezer, of the Gift Shop, was a business visitor in the capital, Wednesday morning. Mr. A. B. Kelly, keeping shop during her absence.

From all indications this is going to be a very happy Christmas in Glendale. Everybody seems to have cash and an inclination to spend it.

Miss Ruth Helm has resigned her position with the Palace and Miss Leah Bennett has been employed to fill the place.

John A. Merritt is in the city today and states that the conestoga at his home is growing every minute.

Dr. Hill is receiving congratulations upon the marriage of his daughter to a Harvard professor, which is scheduled for Christmas day.

Tatum and Mahoney brought in some of the finest specimens of head lettuce ever seen on the local market this week. They have an acre of the early planting from which they are now making express shipments, but will not be able to send out carload shipments for the holiday trade on account of not having sufficient quantity.

R. W. Wagner of the northern gateway city was a business visitor in the sugar city yesterday afternoon.

The regular meeting of the Glendale Voluntary Fire Department will be held Monday evening in the city hall.

Next Wednesday will be social day at the Womans club when all the ladies are at liberty to bring their needle work and finish that racy piece for Christmas.

Mrs. C. W. Cran and daughters, of Los Angeles, are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Driebach.

The L. O. O. F. elected officers Thursday night for the ensuing year as follows: Noble grand, C. A. McKee; vice grand, Otto McMillan; secretary, A. A. Garlock; treasurer, Green McAbee; trustee, Asa Graham.

## Chandler News Notes

PHOENIX VISITORS  
Among those spending Saturday in Phoenix were: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Monroe and son Yvonne; Mrs. J. L. Ertel; Miss Iva Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Arnold, S. M. Turner and John Anderson.

PEOPLES MEETING  
There will be another meeting held in the chamber of commerce room Monday evening, in connection with the New Years dinner and everyone is requested to be present.

BASKET BALL  
The basketball game that was to have been played was postponed indefinitely. The high school team is planning a game on the Chandler grounds Monday evening, providing all players are able to be out. This is their return game with the Mesa high and is expected to be a real lively game. The high school boys are planning on getting a game from the "town players" for New Year's day.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES  
Prepared for Christmas are being prepared by all of the Sunday schools for Christmas eve. The M. E. church is planning the White Service, this is the first time that these services have ever been held in Chandler, and while they are held in the east, it will be something new for Chandler.

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the office of the city manager of the city of Phoenix, Arizona, until January 2d, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m. of that day, for furnishing all material for, and the installation of, additions to, and extensions of, the Underground Street Lighting System of the city of Phoenix, as per specifications on file in the office of the City Electrician, in the city